

THE DOVER SOCIETY

MINUTES of the 87th meeting of the Executive Committee held at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 8 Feb. 1996 at the Royal Cinque Ports Yacht Club.

APOLOGIES : SS ML MMcF

PRESENT : Chairman both Vice-Chairmen Secretary Treasurer SC JL LG JO TS BA MR KW

1. The MINUTES of the 86th meeting of the Executive Committee of 11 Jan. 1996 with two amendments were passed and signed as correct.

2. MATTERS ARISING : From 9 May 1991 : The Peverley Publication

The suggestions and minor corrections made by the author will be incorporated and production costs will be examined, with comparative quotations.

The vital question of publishing and sales was discussed.

Agreed : Doug Welby should be consulted.

AJW

From 14 Dec 1995 : Old Park Barracks
D.S. Lottery Fund submission.

The situation re Old Park Barracks radically changed by the planning permission granted for housing and industrial development, but LG is continuing discussions with DTZ.

The related questions of the negative replies from DDC (Capital Programme Appraisal Working Group : Chairman T.J. Birkett) under both headings were taken together and thoroughly discussed.

Decision : JG to approach John Clayton seeking ideas re discussions and communication between D.S. Committee and Officers and Councillors of DDC.

Suggested representation : At least a senior economic/planning officer and a councillor and several D.S. Committee members.

An ad hoc, daytime occasion. Venue : Whitfield.

The proposed discussions to include Millennium projects.

3. CHAIRMAN

(a) Vardon Recital : 18 May

Agreed : Programmes to be sold. BA to print.

(b) John Shepley of ARJO Wiggins has not yet joined the D.S.

(c) AGM 22 April 1996.

Speaker : Julian Owen : " The impact of IMPACT on Dover "

Award presentations : RVH . IMPACT. (for Snargate Street) . Seafront.
Citations and certificates needed.

LG BA

Diners : Julian Owen + 1 Gwyn Prosser (as Chairman of the Joint Impact Committee) Brigadier Atherton + 1 MR J. Sloggett ? LK ?

(d) D.S. Constitution

Agreed to propose amendment to increase by one the number of officers (second Vice-Chairman) making it possible to add an additional member to the Committee. (KW may propose a candidate.)

(e) Insurance

Decision : We remain with our present policy.

(3. CHAIRMAN contd.)

(f) Local government : Chairman's letter to Gummer and David Shaw's acknowledgment.

(g) Dover Parish Council

Residents' Information Leaflet (enclosed with the Agenda)

350 copies available for distribution with Newsletter.

BA

(h) Chairman's letter to Dover Express re free parking for French :
Misprinted and reprinted correctly with apology.

(i) Miner's statue from Richborough.

It will stay in East Kent. (Power Gen will make a replica for their HQ.)
Campaigners propose location near Dover Museum.

D.S. recommendation : It should be located in a mining village. LETTER. LW

(j) D.S. hosting KFAS AGM and Spring Conference 11 May.

General financing was discussed and agreed in principle. If costs were to prove excessive KFAS would be approached.

Printing of programme : Final draft awaited.

AJW JG BA S. Lawrence ?

DOVER EXPRESS

3.2: Sherrard bemoans silence on P&O staff demands, reduced ferries, no A2 dualling, train ferry end, Marine Station & County Court closures, no CTRL to Dover...
: MP crit re no A2 dualling
: More crit. of Mayoress
: Sea front conservation of rest of town
: IMPACT's York St improvement
: Greener B&Q: March-Sept
: Old Park housing (+ jobs?), incl. cycle road

4. SECRETARY

(a) Daylight Extra :

Private member's bill lost (ran out of time.)

M.P.'s reply : He would have given initial support but might have withdrawn support at Report Stage.

(b) Letter from Ann Coffey : Association France Grande-Bretagne

Agreed : to welcome proposed visit from Mme. Coffey, Mme. Tailliez and Monsieur Fayeulle when mutually convenient. LW

Purpose : to build on existing links with British associations.

(c) Publicity material re Battlefield Tours passed to Social Secretary.

(d) White Cliffs Veterans :

Ken Flint's request for speakers will be met. All in hand.

(e) Publicity boards / columns :

DDC : capital expenditure for boards (not columns) agreed but, because no funding for maintenance, no further action. MMcF will pursue. MMcF

(f) BT sponsorship. Confirmation that we are on their lists.

Letter awaited ?

(4. SECRETARY contd.)

(g) Water : Lakes and River dry

In the light of the demise of the NRA and the proposed takeover of FDWS :
Letter to the M.P. asking to ensure future safeguards for the Dour and
lakes, as were being planned by the Stour/Dour Catchment Control Committee. LW

5. TREASURER

The accounts of the year ending at the AGM 1995 will be published in the next
Newsletter, in the form as audited.

The current account statement was submitted in writing, with one amendment.

Agreed : To donate £25 to Crabble Mill in appreciation for Wine and Wisdom.

6. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Current membership total : 414 Last number allotted 629.

7 new members : Mr. and Mrs. J. Steed : Coxhill Crescent, River.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Hinton The Gateway

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hearn Undertrees Green Lane Temple Ewell

R.J. Meares : retired DDC principal recreation officer.

7. PLANNING

LG, the Committee and DDC planners all approve the superior design of
the new B & Q building.

8. SOCIAL SECRETARY

19 Feb, 1996 Wine and Wisdom : more takers needed.

25 Mar, 1996 Dover's Cruise Terminal :

The speaker will be J. Turgoose instead of JG

9. PROJECTS

1-8 Mar. 1996 Dover Film Festival.

D.S. presence/display. Request a stand and instructions.

Contact : Ron Dryden 212268

LW

Also in March : "Green Sticks" a photo-survey of trees in the town.
: Tree planting with Melbourne School.

Looking ahead to the Dover Festival : the possibility of an empty shop
display. ? - ex Walters ?

10. EDITOR in absentia.

Final reminder (?) Deadline for Newsletter : end of February.

11. A.O.B. MMcF would like to know the committee's opinion on the
possibility of organising Boot Fairs in Commaught Park.

Opinion was against. JO will inform.

JO

Date of next meeting : Thursday : 14 March. 7.30 p.m. RCPYC